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Grassroots organizations or individuals can submit an application now through May 15th to receive up to \$100,000 in funding to fight injustice in their community

Expensify.org, a charity founded by the preaccounting platform Expensify, today announced the Community Justice Grant Challenge. The grant challenge will provide up to \$100,000 in funding to 10 grassroots organizations or individuals fighting injustices in their community. Expensify.org is seeking to partner with groups who are working to advance change in at least one of the following areas: **climate justice**, food security, housing equity, reentry services, or youth advocacy.

Funding for the Community Justice Grant Challenge comes from a few sources: Expensify's Karma Points program: every time customers swipe their credit card at a restaurant, Expensify pays it forward by helping someone who is hungry, or every time a customer books a hotel room, Expensify pays it forward by helping those who lack a stable home. Additionally, Expensify allocates 25 cents for every \$1 paid to white, male employees and puts those funds toward fueling the fight against injustice, as a means of offsetting the gender pay gap.

"The events of the past year have laid bare an array of long-standing and deep-rooted injustices including inequitable access to healthcare, brazen voter suppression, families not knowing where their next meal will come from, and a spike in homelessness, across the U.S.," says Puneet Lath, a Director at Expensify. "But amid the trauma and tumult, we've also seen the power of community and people coming together to create solutions that have the ability to drive real change. At Expensify.org, we're inspired by this work and want to contribute. Through the Community Justice Grant Challenge, we'll provide the funding necessary to help grow these actions into a movement that can change the world."

To identify these changemakers and solicit applications, Expensify.org is launching a robust campaign, targeting groups in the following cities: San Francisco, CA; Denver, CO; Miami, FL; Atlanta, GA; Chicago, IL; New Orleans, LA; Detroit, MI; Minneapolis-St Paul, MN; New York, NY; Portland, OR; Philadelphia, PA; and, Houston, TX. For more information on the challenge, please watch the launch video(https://cts.businesswire.com/ct/CT?id=smartlink&url=https%3A%2F%2Fyoutu.be%2FzS_7EgJQIq&esheet=52408754&newsitemid=20210408005616&lan=en-US&anchor=video&index=1&md5=88a2db7a4910a1d986f965a85be59d0e).

To apply for the Community Justice Grant Challenge, visit [www.expensify.org\(https://cts.businesswire.com/ct/CT?id=smartlink&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.expensify.org%2Fapply&esheet=52408754&newsitemid=20210408005616&lan=en-US&anchor=www.expensify.org&index=2&md5=42829fcd3e2f4a1f64894522d9f88033\)](https://cts.businesswire.com/ct/CT?id=smartlink&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.expensify.org%2Fapply&esheet=52408754&newsitemid=20210408005616&lan=en-US&anchor=www.expensify.org&index=2&md5=42829fcd3e2f4a1f64894522d9f88033)). Applications to partner with Expensify.org began in February(

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After the application closes on May 15, 2021, Expensify.org will review all submissions and advance qualified proposals to the semi-finalist round of the challenge. The semi-finalists will be announced in late May, at which point Expensify.org's donors can vote for finalists. The finalists will be announced by the end of June. Anyone can become a donor of Expensify.org by opting in to Karma donations on Expensify.com or donating via the Expensify.org website.

About Expensify.org:

Expensify.org, a 501(c)(3) charity with a fully transparent direct-giving model is on a mission to eliminate injustice around the world by making giving and volunteering more convenient, meaningful, and collaborative. By harnessing Expensify.com's receipt capture technology, Expensify.org creates transparency in the expenses process to connect donors and recipients in a meaningful way.

About Expensify:

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